



Let Lib-blaze away &c

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Dr Bro. Phelps.

99 You box for Edwin came safely to hand, and the next day (last Friday) I took it up to Somerville myself, and had it safely delivered. Edwin is sick with the measles, but recovering, as I understood. He had it quite light, I believe.

I saw —— and that was all — said nothing for want of a favorable opportunity. It certain Mrs. Lockwood inquired of me if Mr. Phelps ~~was~~ <sup>was</sup> an "able preacher". I told her "one of the best in Massachusetts." I suspect you have had somebody up there to help you keep the secret. To put you on your guard, I beg leave to say that friend Hall is not a Mason.

Let the Liberator blaze away. If you will see to it that your christian people do not come behind the perfect people in zeal for the cause you will do well enough. This is my only fear. Your new Society has a heap of work to do, or it will be American Unionized. So be wide awake. Keep off the Philistines, and keep away from Egypt, and you cannot fail.

Truly yours S. W. Benedict